

App. No. 10/659,919

Remarks

Claim 1 is amended. Claims 1-21 remain pending.

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the telephone interview conducted on May 20, 2005 with the undersigned, James Larson. During the interview, the amendment and response filed on May 9, 2005 was discussed, along with US 6,588,673 to Chan, with Applicant's representative explaining why the claims are patentable over Chan. No agreement was reached concerning the allowability of any claims.

Further to the amendment and response filed on May 9, 2005, claim 1 has been amended to recite the features of the portable personalization machine as being integrated therein. This amendment is supported by the original disclosure, including Figure 1.


In the telephone interview, the Examiner suggested that item 130 (i.e. the combination of PC 132 and personalization equipment 136) in Figure 2C of Chan constitutes a portable personalization machine that anticipates the features recited in claim 1 and claim 8. In addition to the distinctions noted in Applicant's May 9, 2005 amendment and response, item 130 is not equivalent to the claimed personalization machine because item is not a single machine. Rather, item 130 constitutes items 132 and 136 which are separate machines. Chan does not disclose a single machine that integrates therein all of the features recited in claims 1 and 8.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (612) 455-3805.

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